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In re application of: SUZUKI, et al.

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MULTIPLEX TRANSMISSION
SYSTEM AND
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Amendment and Reply

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In reply to the Non-final Office Action dated December 18, 2003, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 6), Applicants submit the following Amendment and Reply.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are needed to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims), and any other fee deficiency are hereby authorized to be charged, any overpayments credited to, our Deposit Account No. 22-0261.